

CONDIT HOUSE



INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY



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Condit House, an excellent example of Italianate architecture, has been preserved in its original character. Its brick and wood trim facade gives the house an unpretentious formality and quiet dignity.

One of the distinctive features of the architecture is the deep pavilion at the front center of the house which is surmounted by a classic pediment. On both sides of the pavilion are wooden porches. A balcony of wood and classic iron filigree overhangs the front entrance. The two large entrance doors are oak.

The house is crowned by a hip roof, projecting eaves, and two great chimneys. The eaves are supported by carved wood brackets. The pavilion is gabled with a triangular peak. Stone beehives ornament the front of the house.

Two floor-to-ceiling windows on the first floor and three windows of similar size and shape on the upper level afford a pleasant view of the campus quadrangle. The upper-floor windows, above and on either side of the entrance doors, still have some of the original glass panes, which are now aged to a pale blue.



The original steps leading to the entrance of the house were replaced in 1985 by three large pieces of Indiana limestone.

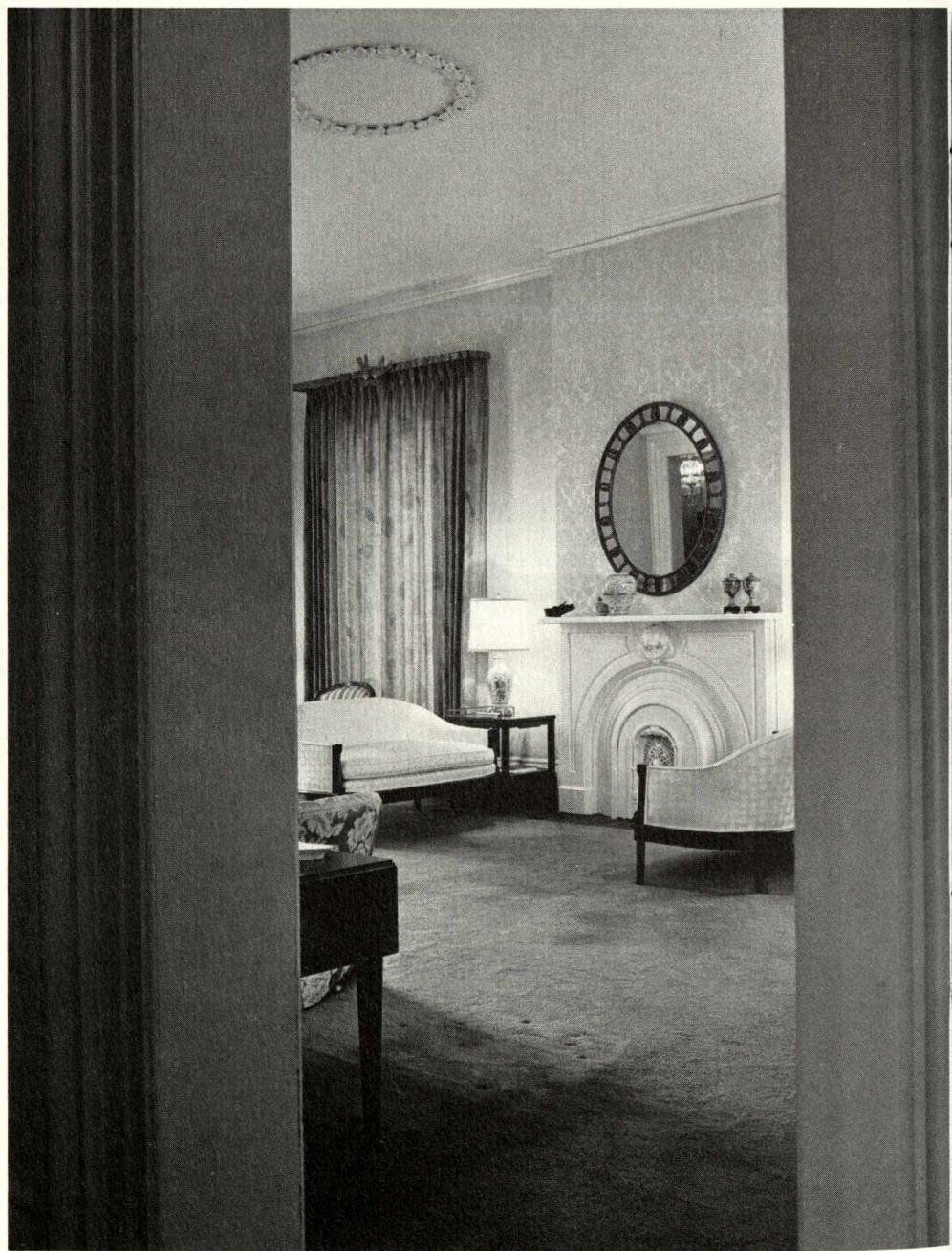
An old well pump, sheltered by a wooden gazebo, is located on the west side of the rear wing of Condit House. An adjacent building located on the south side was thought to be a wash house or summer kitchen. It had two floors and four rooms, one of which included a three-hole facility. The building was razed in 1983 to accommodate a house garage.

Just inside the front doors is a small entry room and a second pair of oak and glass doors. Within the entry and in the right wall is a mail delivery slot. When used by the Condits, the first doors were fully opened and the second doors served as the entrance in all but winter weather.

The glass panels in the entrance doors are of especial interest. Prior to renovation one of the original, etched panes was cracked. A replacement, which proved to be a frosted copy of the original, was found in one of the two cloak closets at the front of the House. The etched glass panes above the frames of both sets of doors are original. The outer pane is numbered 629, the original Mulberry Street address of the house.

The second front doors and the cherry wood balustrade of the open stairway were painted in 1963. The paint was removed and the original oak and cherry woods were returned to their natural colors in 1975.

The stairway in the foyer leads to the upstairs hall. Originally anchored only a few inches into the wall, the stairway had to be shored up during the restoration. The space beneath was walled in and serves as a storage closet.



The ceilings throughout the original sections of Condit House are approximately twelve feet high. The house has five fireplaces. Over the years, each has been closed so none are operational today.

The corner cabinet in the sitting room was taken from the original dining room. The foxhead chandelier in the study is presumed to be more than a century old. The gold painted wood valances in the drawing room are thought to be original.

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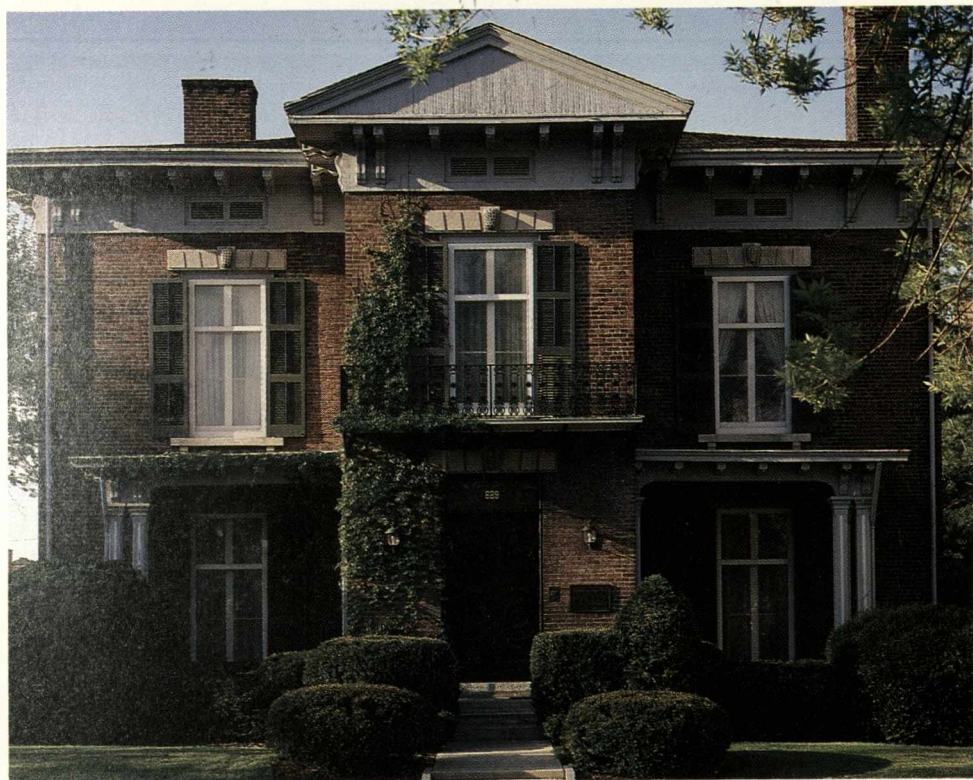
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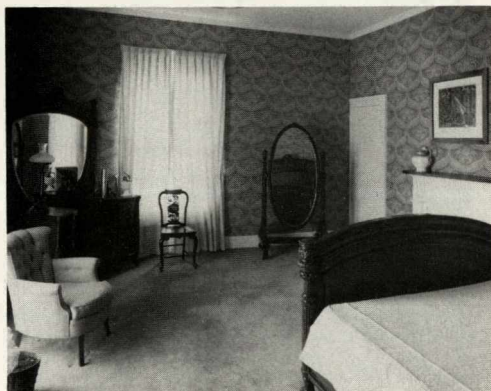
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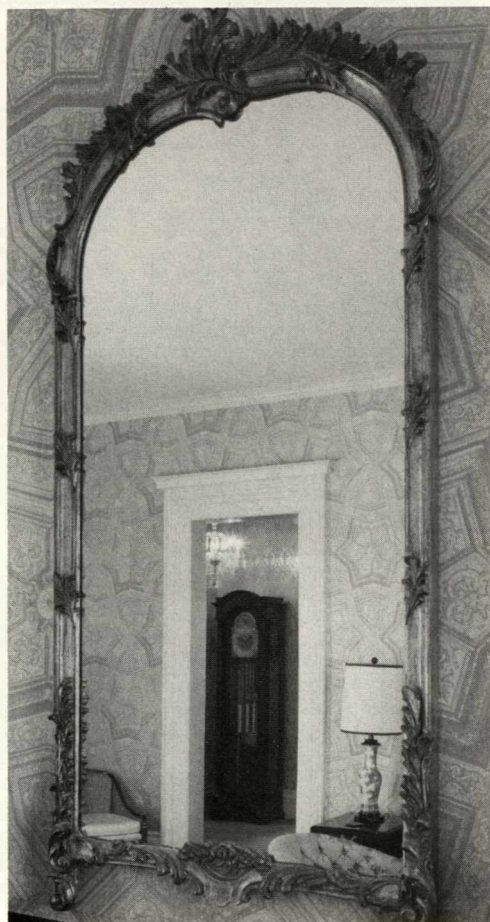


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The University grew up around Condit House. When students and faculty gathered for the first classes at Indiana State in 1870, Condit House was a distinguished neighbor.

President and Mrs. Rankin, with the concurrence of the Trustees, requested the privilege of restoring the lovely brick home for use as the President's residence. Condit House is cherished by all who have attended the University, a bond to the culture of the past, a warm friend and observer of student life for more than a century.

Caleb Mills, the "father of the Indiana public school system", had close ties with Condit House. His daughter, Sara Louisa Mills Condit, moved into the house in 1863 with her husband, the Reverend Blackford Condit,* and here they reared their family. The distinguished Caleb Mills was a frequent visitor during his years as the second Indiana State Superintendent of

* The History of Early Terre Haute from 1816 to 1840

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The restoration project, which included the rebuilding and enlarging of the rear wing, gave careful attention to preservation of the architectural authenticity of the house. Bricks from the rebuilt wing were carefully re-used, along with doors, window frames, lintels, sills, shutters, ornamental wood porch trim, and cast iron grilles and gratings.

The house is an engaging example of Italianate architecture, unusually well-preserved in its original flavor. The warm brick façade is strikingly formal and symmetrical, giving the

residence a studied sophistication.

An exceptional feature is a deep projection, or pavilion, at the center of the façade, surmounted by a classic pediment. On either side of the pavilion, tucked into the angle of the entrance, is a small one-story porch. An iron balcony adorns the pavilion.

The house is crowned with a hip roof and projecting eaves and two great chimneys. The eaves are richly bracketed, with small attic windows alternating with the brackets. The pavilion is gabled with a triangular peak.

There are three tall windows across the front at the upper level and a centered first-floor door with a tall window on either side. Note that the windows upstairs, above the front door and on either side, still have a few of the original panes, which are now aged to a pronounced blue color.

Some points on the exterior of the house:

The original old hitching post was found in the house, and

carefully stored during the renovation, but--alas--disappeared from the university storage area. At the side of the house, you will see an old pump sheltered by a gazebo. The building back of the house is not a carriage house as one might imagine. It is far too small. It is believed to be a wash house or summer kitchen. Near the old fence, to the left, grow two paw paw trees, which remind us that our location is southern Indiana.

The steps, leading to the front door, are the original limestone steps. If one looks carefully, he may find some fossils embedded there.

Twin wooden doors invite the visitor into a small entrance hallway. The front foyer is entered from the hallway through a second set of tall doors, these paneled with glass cut with a delicate design. The front doors fit back into each side for summer use, and are closed during the winter months. The glass doors hold interest. One panel is different from the other. Before the renovation began, one of the original panes was seen to be badly cracked. (The paper boy had a "good right arm"; Miss Condit may not have appreciated her fledgling pitcher!) A

replacement panel was found in the front closet. Why had not Miss Condit installed it? After it was put into place, the replacement proved to be a frosted copy, not etched, as was the original.

From the foyer the open stairway leads to the high-ceilinged upstairs hall. This stairway, set only a few inches into the wall when first built, had to be shored-up. The extra space derived beneath the stairs is now used for storage.

Another word about the Condit family. Miss Helen was a beautiful lady, both young and old, who never married. The story is told that a young West Pointer was much enamoured of her when they were young, but the family hesitated. He sent her flowers each week for many months. A companion, who knew the family, remembers a great pile of florist boxes which Miss Condit had carefully saved. The young man finally gave up, and so Miss Condit remained a spinster. A brother, Howe Allen, added to the Condit legend. He was a young lawyer, still a bachelor in his early thirties, who went down to the basement one night, and committed suicide by shooting himself in the head. (Dr. Paul J. Bronson, still of Terre Haute, attended the young man, after being called to the house by Miss Condit.)

Condit House, as part of the University, has already received gifts, both large and small. A silver punch bowl ladle, engraved "Condit", for one. (Dr. Anne Lee bought it at the auction, and thought it should go home.) A magnificent silver coffee service, hereinafter to be known as the "MacArthur silver service", for another. A painting in Dr. Rankin's study, by an Indiana artist, was a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Ben Blumberg. The furnishings in the Red Room upstairs (Hulman), which belonged to Mr. and Mrs. Anton Hulman, Sr., were given for use in Condit House. The senior class of 1967 left a Condit House gift fund. The great grandfather's clock in the lower hallway, which used to stand in the old Deming Hotel lobby, is a gift from the Alumni Council. --And so it goes . . .

DEAR GUESTS: *Please follow tour directions and traffic pattern given below.*

ENTRY, FRONT HALL FOYER

Please go right, into the Drawing Room

DRAWING ROOM (WHITE)

Furniture in the Drawing Room is composed, mostly, of reproductions. The piano, over a century old, belonged to the Longworth family of Cincinnati. The rosewood chairs were purchased from the Bindley estate auction, here in Terre Haute. The gold screen, a treasured antique, is from Dr. Rankin's collection. The mirror, over the mantle, is a gift from the H. J. Heinz family of Pittsburgh.

Please continue to the second doorway, nearest hall clock.

HALLWAY, GRANDFATHER CLOCK

This fine old clock formerly stood in the lobby of the old Deming Hotel. It is a gift from the Indiana State University Alumni

Council. It chimes every fifteen minutes. It can be set to give the melodic Westminster or Whittington chimes. (We often hear it during the night, but since the stroke is so sedately-timed, we fall asleep without determining the hour.)

Please move straight ahead into Dr. Rankin's study.

STUDY (BLUE)

The study was decorated in the colors of the large "Madonna" (Fitzpatrick-Pittsburgh). A gift of the Ben Blumbergs, "Affluent Society" (Hunter-Indiana), hangs over the fireplace. The Giacometti self-portrait (at sixteen years), other side of mantle opposite desk, is a prized possession. Also prized are the old maps of Indiana, showing Indian Country and the Limber-lost area. The light fixture is original.

Please go through doorway into the Green Room.

SITTING ROOM (WILLIAMSBURG GREEN)

The corner cabinet was taken from the old dining room. The antique cabinet pieces are mostly Japanese, Korean, Indonesian.

Greenish vases below are ancient brass. The painting is a T. C. Steele, "The Yellow Shawl." The curtains are watered silk. The Chippendale chairs purchased from the Bindley estate.

Please go up the Front Hall stairs.

RIGHT TOP OF STAIRS FAMILY ROOM

Furnishings are comfortable favorites from the Rankins' first home in Terre Haute. The paintings were done by friends in Pittsburgh. "The Two Marys," by Marie Kelly, and another Fitzpatrick, "St. Francis and the Birds." (Two baths were formed from a room this size, to the left of the stairs.)

Please continue to the Pink-Window-end of the hallway.

BALCONY WINDOW MRS. RANKIN'S WORK AREA

The cherry chest which stands to the right belonged to Dr. Rankin's grandmother.

Please enter doorway on the right.

HULMAN ROOM (RED)

The bedroom furniture (except for the round table and the temporary bedside tables) is on permanent loan to Condit House from Mr. and Mrs. Anton Hulman, Jr. The furniture belonged to his parents. See dates scratched on left top drawer of chest. The room is decorated in Victorian or "Lillian Russell" colors. The handkerchief collection belonged to Miss Condit.

Please cross the hall into the other bedroom.

BINDLEY ROOM (YELLOW)

Bed and chest are in a well-known "Jack Frost" design. These, along with the little oval table, were part of the Bindley estate auction purchase. The Japanese table, refinished, and candlesticks on mantle survived fire. Pictures are English watercolors. Bedspread will match draperies.

Please go past head of stairs and down four steps into the back hall.

FAMILY BEDROOM

This room is, in part, a duplicate of the bedroom in the Rankin home in Pittsburgh, with bay window, stone rubbing wallpaper, "Campaign" furniture. The Japanese scroll, over bed, and cloisonné lamp in window survived fire.

SKIP LAST DOOR IN HALL . . (DAUGHTER'S BEDROOM IS DISASTER AREA)

Please go down back stairs to side hall and dining room.

SIDE HALL

Sofa and Chippendale table are Terre Haute auction purchases.

DINING ROOM

The dining room furnishings are reproductions. The small pictures are cherished possessions, done by a friend of Dr. Rankin's childhood. One depicts an ironstone pitcher which

belonged to his mother, and the other, the view from her
upstairs bedroom window, Hays, Kansas.

SKIP THE KITCHEN . . TRAFFIC PROBLEM

Condit House, Historical Museum Given U.S. Status

Historic Landmarks Title 8 APR 24 1973

Community Affairs File
Vigo County Public Library

U.S. Rep. John Myers (R 7th Dist.) announced Monday that the Department of Interior has approved the addition of two Terre Haute landmarks to the National Register of Historic Places.

The new additions are Condit House on the Indiana State University campus and the Vigo County Historical Museum, 1411 S. 6th St.

The National Register of Historic Places is a list of distinction identifying for the public sites, buildings and structures significant in American history and worthy of preservation for their historic value. According to Congressman Myers, addition of Condit House and the Historical Society Museum qualify the buildings for protection and possible federal assistance for further restoration.

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In 1965, president Rankin, with the concurrence of the ISU Board of Trustees, requested permission to restore Condit House for use as the president's

residence. The restoration work was done in 1966, 1967 and 1968.

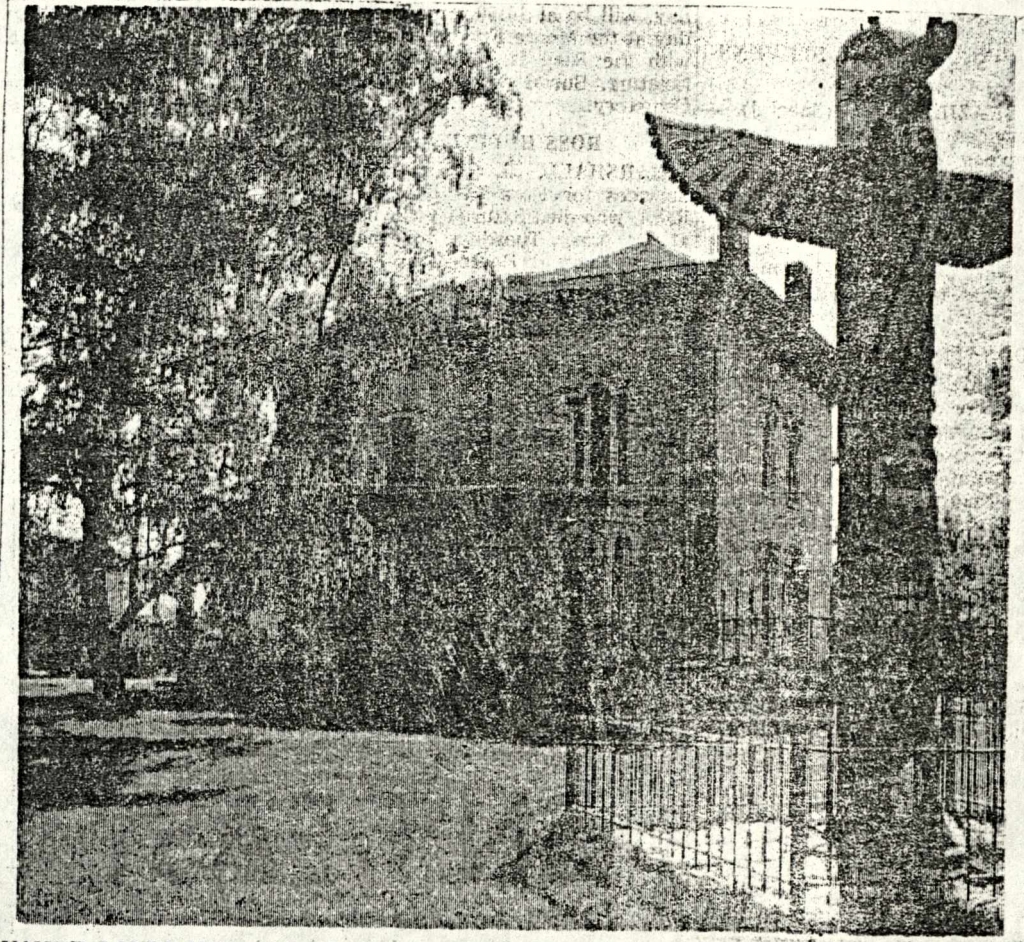
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The Vigo County Historical Society Museum is officially known as the Sage-Robinson-Nagle House and is located at Sixth and Washington streets on Terre Haute's southside. It was built in 1868 by William H. Sage, a local baker and confectioner, then later sold to Henry Robinson who resided there until 1900.

The house was purchased at the turn of the century by Clemens Nagel, a local meat packer, in whose family it remained until 1958 when it was purchased by the Vigo County Historical Society and converted to a museum.

Robert I. Clark is now curator of the museum and his wife, Dorothy, serves as executive secretary.

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NAMED LANDMARK — The Vigo County Historical Society Museum, 1411 S. 6th St., has been included in the National Register of Historic Places. The structure was built in 1868. (Photo by Kadel)

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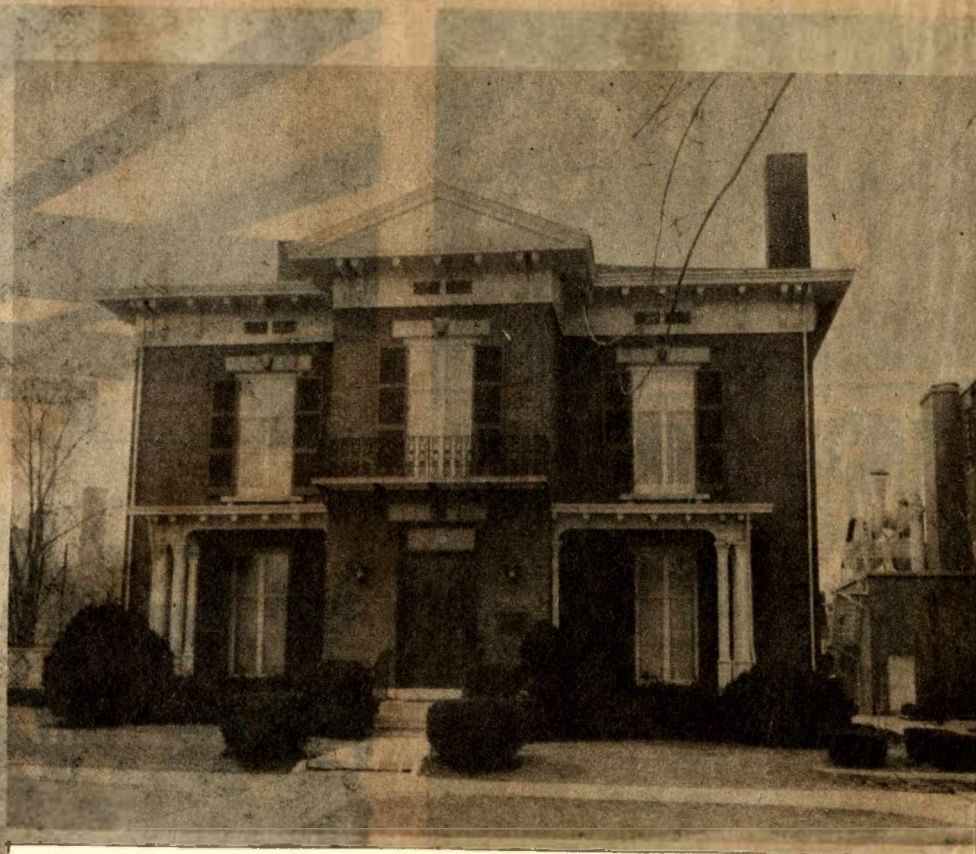
The Sheldon Swope Art Gallery is closed for summer renovation during the month of August. During this period Art Objects of the Week are architectural works of the 19th and early 20th centuries that are of importance in Terre Haute.

Perhaps Terre Haute's finest example of the 19th century Italian Renaissance Revival style is the Condit House, constructed in 1860 and located on what is now the campus of Indiana State University. The house was built as the residence of Lucien Houriet, a prominent Terre Haute jeweler. Blackford Condit bought the house in 1863 and it remained in the Condit family until the death of Miss Helen Condit in 1962 who willed it to Indiana State University.

Stylistically, this house was inspired by the grandiose stone Italian palaces of the Renaissance. In America, the version adopted during the several decades before the Civil War was modest in scale and much simplified for purposes of domestic dwellings.

Condit House is handsomely preserved. It is a brick structure trimmed with wood and stone. As to design, the dominant characteristic is the strong emphasis on symmetry. The eye is forced to focus on the center of the facade, for a central doorway and a central window of the second story are set in a pavillion which projects from the exact center of the facade and is capped by a shallow triangular pediment. On either side of the centrally projecting pavillion is a small loggia which shelters a tall window. In like manner two corresponding windows are paced in the second story, one on each side of the pavillion. A wide overhanging cornice with heavy brackets, and the flat stone window heads, each accented by a prominent keystone, are typical Italianate features.

Condit House is the home of the president of Indiana State University. The building was recently declared a national landmark by the United States Department of Interior.



Condit House recognized in historic places register

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BY JAN YURCHEYK
Statesman Staff Writer

The Condit House, residence of University Pres. Alan C. Rankin and family, is one of two Terre Haute landmarks added to the National Register of Historic Places. This was recently announced by Seventh District Congressman John Myers.

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In 1965, Pres. Alan C. Rankin, with the concurrence of the University trustees, requested the privilege of restoring the lovely brick home for use as the president's residence.

Roll McLaughlin of James Associates in Indianapolis was the architect who worked on the restoration of the house in 1966-68. He was also one of the central persons involved in the year-long procedure of getting the house recognized. He was recommended to the board by Governor Branigan.

The restoration project included modernization of the house and the rebuilding and enlarging of the rear wing. It was one of the few rooms that had had a bathroom but has now been transformed into a dining room and kitchen.

During the restoration, careful attention was given not to detract from the architectural authenticity of the house. Bricks from the rebuilt wing were re-used, along with doors, window frames, lintels, sills, shutters, ornamental wood porch trim and cast iron grilles and gratings. The front of the house has not been touched.

In a conversation with Rankin, he expressed his pleasure that the house has been recognized. Outside of the fact that he considered the Condit House an example of one of the great houses of the period, Rankin simply wanted to live on campus.

The house was there and available. It was convenient, close to his office and by he and his family living there, there would be some representative of the ISU staff on campus. The house is open to see by appointment.

Though President Rankin has no intentions of retiring, he mentioned that he hoped all future university presidents would also want to live in the Condit House.



HISTORIC SITE--The Condit House on the ISU quadrangle has recently been recognized by the Department of the Interior as a historical landmark. Condit House will now be added to the National Register of Historic Places, along with the Vigo County Historical Social Museum at 1411 South Sixth Street. (Photo by Bob Godfrey)

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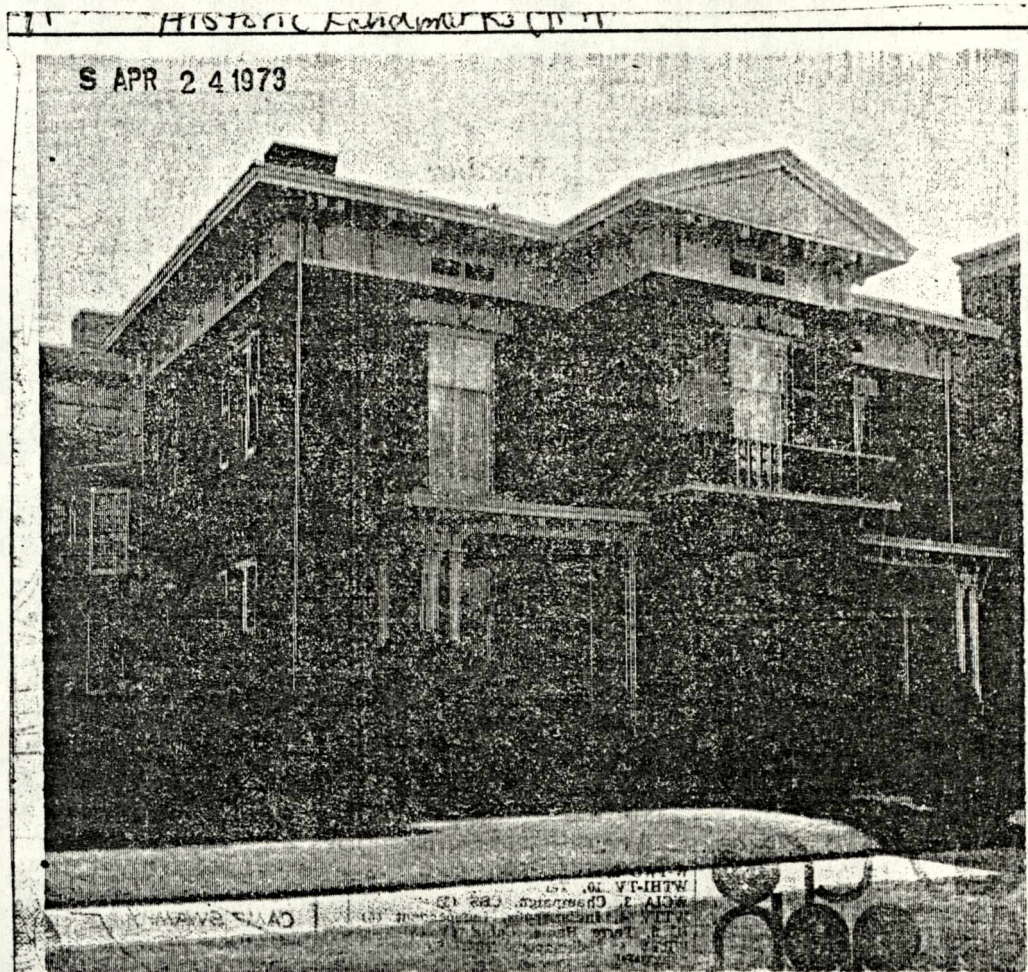
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NEW OFFICERS were elected for District Six, Mothers of World War II, at their recent annual convention held here at the Dreiser Square Community Center. Shown seated, left to right, are Mrs. Pauline Ellis, first vice president; Mrs. Squire Killion, president; and Mrs. Eathel Arthur, second vice president. Standing, left to right, are Mrs. Anna Chapman, chaplain; Mrs. Clebert Kester, sgt. at arms; Mrs. Edna Pound, historian; Mrs. Anna May Haring, recording secretary; Mrs. Willie McGaffney, treasurer; and Mrs. Ervin Sparks, financial secretary.

Photo by Strausburg.

Women (T.H.)



CONDIT HOUSE — The campus residence of Indiana State University President Alan C. Rankin is one of two local buildings earning national landmark registration. Condit House is an example of Italianate architecture. (Photo by Kadel)

WDC Cook's Tour Shows Condit House

Historic Houses (TH)

By DOROTHY J. CLARK
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THE CONDIT HOUSE on the Indiana State University campus, residence of President and Mrs. Richard Landini and their family will be featured on the Woman's Department Club Cook's Tour.

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The house, a noteworthy example of Italianate architecture, has the original limestone steps leading to the front door. Twin wooden outside doors

lead visitors into a tiny entrance hallway. The front foyer is entered from this hallway through a second set of tall doors paneled with glass etched with a delicate design.

The large foyer and attached hall effectively channel traffic through the home. Gold metallic paper with ivory flocking and crystal chandeliers give soft highlights to the area. The grandfather clock in the hallway for many years stood in the lobby of the old Deming Hotel. It reports each quarter hour and can be set to give either Westminster or Whittington chimes.

In the spacious drawing room, Mrs. Landini has chosen soft shades of green for the plush carpeting and velvet couch. Conversational groupings of chairs are placed to ac-

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What Women Are Doing

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commodate large gatherings. Matching chairs on either side of the sofa are gold satin with a large floral pattern. Twin off-white love seats flank the fireplace. Walls are papered in a green and silver geometric design. Especially interesting are the original gold leaf ornamental cornices over the windows. The grand piano is more than a century old and once belonged to the Longworth family of Cincinnati.

Several shades of gold are used in the Landini's living room. Furniture is of Mediterranean styling, lamps have wooden bases, and fringed tie-back drapes are over sheer curtains. The curved corner cabinet was taken from the original dining room. The fireplace is one of five throughout Condit House.

Books line one wall of President Landini's office. There is rust shag carpeting and chairs in beige, rust and gold plaid. One of the original hanging light fixtures is seen here.

The side hall is papered in brown, beige and ivory. An antique couch has been recovered in a large paisley pattern of greens and rusts. There are twin antique tables of an unusual design. Off this hall is the powder room with its rosetree wallpaper decor.

The dining room has a banquet size table above which hangs a lovely crystal chandelier. Chairs are covered in green satin. A large breakfront contains handsome silver tea sets, china and cut glass pieces. At one end, twin

highback chairs form a conversation or reading area.

The family dining area is connected to the kitchen with a pass through counter that can be shut off with folding doors. Carpeting is gold and beige shag while paper here is brown and green mums. Above the antique square pedestal table with its matching chairs hangs a brass and china fixture with prism trim.

The efficient kitchen, built for entertaining large groups, has a multitude of cabinets finished in a bright maple tone. There are three warming ovens, a radar oven, and the conventional oven. Behind the copper hooded cooking area is a red brick tile wall. Green counter tops and a floral painted shade over the window add color.

The upstairs is reached from the front foyer by an open stairway with its cherrywood balustrade. Here are four large rooms plus a sitting room. The furnishings in the guest room belonged to Mr. and Mrs. Anton Hulman Sr. and are on permanent loan to Condit House by Mr. and Mrs. Anton Hulman Jr.

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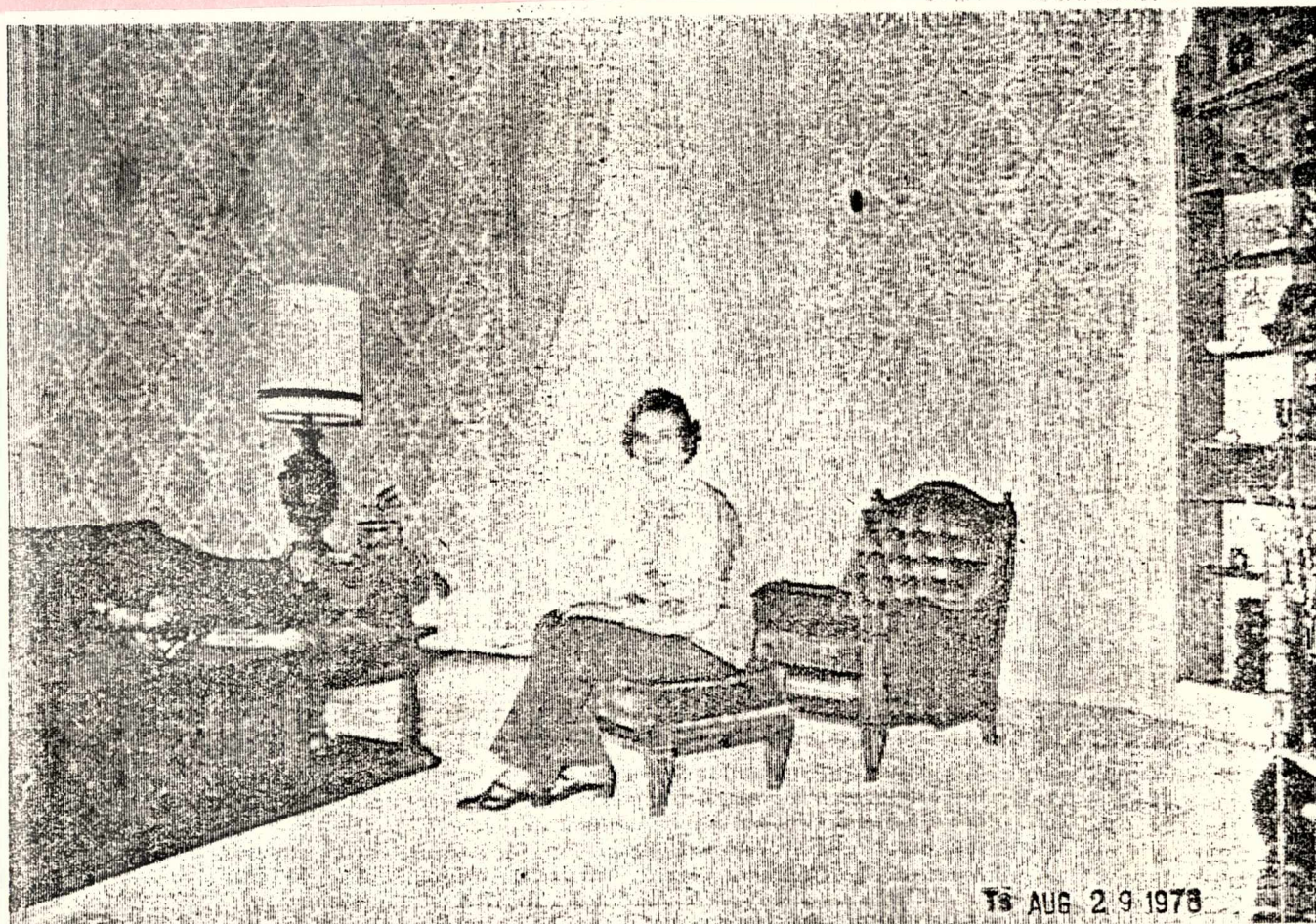
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CONDIT HOUSE — Mrs. Richard Landini is shown sitting in the living room of Condit House, the residence of Indiana State University President Landini and his family, on the university campus. Mrs. Landini has used several shades of gold in the living room with furniture of Mediterranean styling and fringed tie-back drapes over sheer curtains. The home, built in 1860,

will be one of six local homes featured on the Woman's Department Club Cooks Tour Friday, Sept. 17. The Tour will be from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. with lunch served at the Clubhouse at 11 a.m., noon, and 1 p.m. Tickets may be obtained by contacting Mary Leona Fariss or Mrs. Frank Paris.

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Condit house is home for Landini

Indiana Stateman
It has been part of ISU for 18 years, but the Condit House is more than a century old.

The house has been serving as the residence of University presidents since Alan Rankin served as president from 1965 until 1975, Mrs. Landini said.

The Condit House was built in 1860 by Jabez Hedden for Lucien Houriet, a local jeweler and watchmaker. Three years later, Blackford and Sara Louise Mills Condit purchased the residence. Their daughter, Helen, lived her entire life in the Condit House.

During Helen Condit's residency in the house, the University had begun expanding and it even-

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tually developed around this famous landmark, said Mrs. Landini.

The University had tried to buy the house from Condit, but she refused its offer. She did, however, promise to will the house to the University if it were to let her live there for the remainder of her years.

The house became part of the University following the death of Condit in 1962 and was used as an alumni house for several years.

In 1965, at the request of President Alan Carson Rankin, the board of trustees authorized the restoration of the brick home for use as the residence of the University president.

The restoration project, which included the rebuilding and enlarging of the rear wing, included careful preservation of the architectural authenticity of the house, Mrs. Landini said.

Bricks from the rebuilt wing were reused, along with doors, window frames, lintels, sills, ornamental wood porch trim and castiron grilles and gratings. The restoration was completed in 1967.

She said the house is an exam-

ple of Italianate architecture, well-preserved in its original flavor.

At the center of the brick facade is a deep pavillion surmounted by a classic pediment. On both sides of the pavillion are one-story porches which are complimented by an iron balcony.

The house is crowned with a hip roof and two great chimneys as the pavillion is gabled with a triangular peak. The steps leading to the front door are limestone.

The outside wooden doors lead into a tiny entrance hallway. The hallway leads to a second set of doors paneled with glass etched with a duplicate design. Prior to the renovation, one of the original panes was observed to be badly cracked. A replacement pane was found in the front closet and after it was put into place, the replacement proved to be a frosted copy, not etched, as was the original.

Over the years, since its designation as the residence of the University president, Condit House has received many gifts. The furnishings in the upstairs guestroom belonged to Anton Hulman Sr., distinguished citizen of Terre Haute, she added that they are on permanent loan to Condit House by Anton Jr.

The grandfather clock in the hallway is a gift from the ISU Alumni Council. For many years it stood in the lobby of the old Deming Hotel.

The clock reports every quarter hour and can be set to give either Westminster or Whittington chimes.

The piano in the large drawing room is more than a century old

and once belonged to the Longworth family of Cincinnati. Furnishings in the dining room and side hall were acquired through the Condit House Gift Fund of the 1967 Senior Class, said Mrs. Landini.

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Though designated as the residence of the University president and family, Condit House also serves as a guest house for visiting dignitaries and as the setting of official campus receptions throughout the year, she said.

Although most of the furniture in the house is the original, one room is totally furnished by the

Landinis themselves. The room is appropriately named the Landini room and it is here the President keeps his own collection.

Mrs. Landini feels that although the three-story house is pleasant, "It gets kind of isolated when the students leave."

Mrs. Landini says they are not bothered by the students and students do come and visit on occasions such as Halloween or sometimes freshman initiation.

Condit House stands as a symbol of the University's distinguished history of educational service to the people of Indiana and as a living reminder of our common bond to the thought and culture of the past.



Condit House

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Condit House is listed on national register

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By Frances E. Hughes

In 1973, Condit House on the Indiana State University campus was added to the list of the National Register of Historic Places.

This list identifies sites, buildings and structures significant in American History and worthy of preservation for their historic value.

Condit House, an excellent example of Italianate architecture is the residence of University President and Mrs. Richard G. Landini.

The historic house was built by Jabez Hedden for Lucien Houriet, a jeweler and watchmaker, in 1860.

In 1863, the house, one of the oldest in the city, was purchased by the Rev. and Mrs. Blackford Condit. It remained in the Condit family until 1962, when the property was bequeathed to the university by Miss Helen Condit, the last survivor in the family. She was the daughter of Blackford Condit. Miss Condit had lived her entire life in the house.

Although the house was in unusually good condition for one of its age, a restoration and modernization program was undertaken by then President and Mrs. Alan Rankin in 1966, '67 and '68, to make it into a President's House. The original design of the house was kept.

The Condit family was a pioneer and highly-respected one in the community. The original ancestors came to this country from either England or Wales in 1678. John Condit purchased lands "in the bounds of the town of Newark," Essex County, N.J., in 1689 and 1691. He was first married in Great Britain, where his wife died. He came to this country with his son, Peter, and in Newark married his second wife, Deborah.

His great-great-grandson, Daniel Dayton Condit, was born Oct. 21, 1797, in Hanover, N.J., the second son of the Rev. Aaron Condit, and his wife, Mary Dayton Condit. The Reverend Condit was a Presbyterian minister who held the pastorate of the Hanover Presbyterian Church in New Jersey for 35 years. Four of his sons also entered the ministry.

Daniel was one of the early settlers in Terre Haute. He married Charlotte Teressa Coon on Feb. 8, 1824, in Hanover. Two years after their marriage, the couple moved to New York City, where Daniel was engaged in merchandising for three years.

Then, letters from Isaac Blackford of Vincennes, a half-brother of his wife, Mary, lured Daniel and his family to Indiana in 1829.

In Sullivan County, Daniel formed a colony of New Jersey people who came from his father's parish, and he was convinced that he should live there. A new hewed log house was built for him and he brought his family from the East. The son, Blackford Condit, was born Aug. 6, 1829, in this log cabin.

In 1831, the family moved to Terre Haute, where Daniel went into business with W. A. Thompson, also formerly of New York City. The two men engaged in shipping corn and coal down the Wabash River on flatboats. They also established a store on the northeast corner of Third and Main streets (Wabash Avenue), which first prospered and then later failed in the Panic of 1837-38. For many years after that, Daniel was a wagon maker and engaged in mercantile pursuits.

Daniel and his family continued their residence in Terre Haute. The couple had three sons, John David Condit, Indianapolis; Blackford Condit, Terre Haute, and Aaron Dayton Condit, St. Paul, Minn.

Daniel died Jan. 24, 1877, and his widow survived him until 1880. In 1837, the couple had purchased a home on the northeast corner of Seventh and Eagle streets, where Mrs. Condit still lived at the time of her death.

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Condit House, Indiana State University.

graduated from Wabash College, Crawfordsville, in 1854. Then, he attended Lane Theological Seminary in Cincinnati, Ohio, graduating in 1857. He was licensed to preach by the Presbytery of Cincinnati, and his first charge was Fulton Parish in Cincinnati, where he stayed just one year.

He then did post graduate work at Union Theological Seminary, New York, and Andover Theological Seminary, Andover, Mass. Ill health compelled him to resign his next charge at Springfield, Pa., and in October of 1860, he sailed for Europe. Blackford traveled abroad until 1861, and at the outbreak of the Civil War, he returned to the United States. Because of his ill health, however, he did not enter service.

On Feb. 26, 1862, he married Sarah L. Mills, daughter of Professor Caleb Mills, one of the founders of the common school system in Indiana and a member of the faculty of Wabash College, and Sarah Marshall Mills. A year later, he bought the house at 629 Mulberry Street. From 1868 until 1875, the Rev. Blackford Condit occupied the pulpit of the Baldwin Presbyterian Church in Terre Haute, but again he had to resign because of ill health and gave up the ministry.

For the next 20 years, Condit was the stated clerk of his Presbytery and director of the Presbyterian Committee of Home Missions and devoted much of his time to literary pursuits.

In 1871, he was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of Wabash College, which position he held until 1896.

In 1882, Blackford Condit's "History of the English Bible" was published; in 1898, his "Short Studies of Familiar Bible Texts" was published, and in 1900, "History of Early Terre Haute", written by him, was published.

The Degree of DD was conferred upon him by Marietta College, Marietta, Ohio, in 1889.

The Rev. Blackford Condit died March 27, 1903, in Terre Haute.

His daughter, Miss Helen Condit, died Dec. 10, 1961, leaving an estate of more than \$325,000, all of it to educational or charitable organizations except a few small personal bequests to personal friends.

She was 87 years old and had lived in and taken good care of the Condit House for all of her lifetime. Terre Haute and the university are fortunate to have such a well-preserved house of that early period.

T.H. Historic Houses

New Residence for Indiana State President

T.H. Trib-State 9/17/67

By MARY ANNE PIERCE

Amid the rubble of carpenter's tools, plaster, scrap lumber, old plumbing, and heating equipment, a lovely residence is emerging on the Indiana State University campus.

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The rear wing of the house has been completely torn down and rebuilt. The front section of the structure remains the same, keeping the charming style of its architectural period.

The new wing measures 27 feet wide by 39 feet long with two attractive bay windows facing the east, which extend considerably the width of both the formal dining room on the lower level and the master bedroom on the second floor.

The new section was constructed of refurbished brick salvaged from the section removed. The entire house has a double-walled brick exterior; therefore it was unnecessary to purchase any brick for the new part. Interior walls are also double brick, a fact which has caused electricians and plumbers moments of frustration until they could chisel their way through to install whatever was necessary.

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fixtures from the former wing are being used through the home.

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classic design. Francis Macomber, an Indianapolis decorator, is planning the entire interior.

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The northern and eastern entrances to the home will be equipped with intercom systems to enable callers to announce themselves.

New Heating Plant

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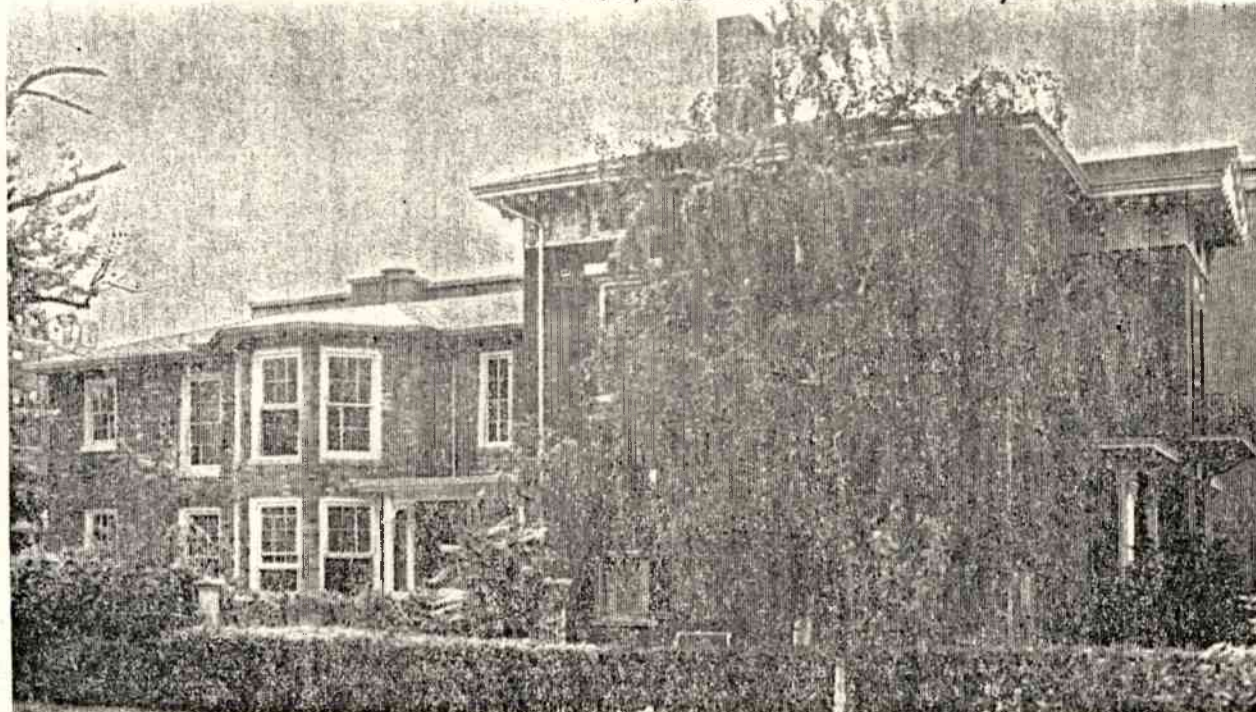
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The Condit House

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The Condit House — official residence of the president of Indiana State University — was built in 1860. It stands facing the quad at the university and has been home to current president Richard Landini and his wife, Phyllis, for 11 years.

"It's an excellent facility for the social and cultural things that we do in the house," Landini said.

The house is topped by a hip roof, projecting eaves and two large chimneys. Eaves are supported by attractively carved wooden brackets. Two floor-to-ceiling windows on the first floor give residents a full view of the campus quadrangle.

Decorated frosted glass panes are set in large oaken front doors of the Condit House. Ceilings throughout the home are 12-feet high. There are five fireplaces, all unused and sealed.

The grandfather clock in the front hallway is a gift of the ISU Council and for many years stood in the lobby of the former Deming Hotel, now the Deming House.

The Italian Renaissance-style house is registered as a Historic American Building with the Library of Congress and the Smithsonian Institution and is also on the National Register of Historic Places.

Landini said his home is quite public because of its location in the middle of the ISU campus. He suspects he's one of the few college presidents in the U.S. who lives so close to the traffic pattern of students.

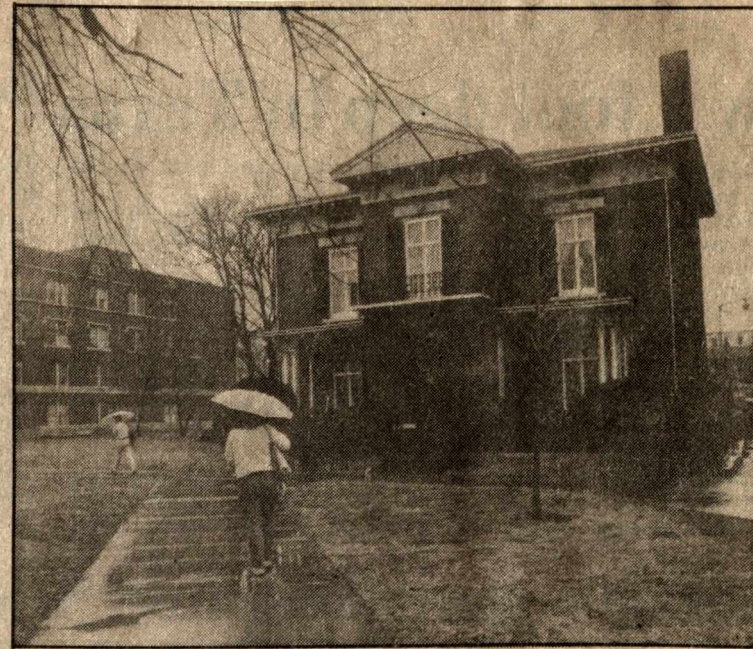
Because of the plaque on the door stating its historical significance, Landini said if he or his wife forgets to lock the door they are sometimes greeted by living-room sightseers who have innocently perceived their home as some sort of public museum.

"My wife and I have a saying that we live in the upper part of the house and the state of Indiana lives downstairs," Landini said.

"It's a charming place," he added.

The home was built for local jeweler Lucien Houriet, but Blackford Condit bought it in 1883. Sara Louisa Condit — daughter of Caleb Mills, known as the Father of the Indiana Public School System — was one tenant of the elegant home.

Helen Condit was the last of the Condit family to live in the home. She died in 1962. She willed the building to the university.



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Campus landmark: The Condit House, built in 1860, is now the residence of Indiana State University president Richard Landini and his wife, Phyllis. Mrs. Landini (**at left**) relaxes in the elegant downstairs living room. The home is located (**above**) on campus, right in the middle of the student traffic pattern.

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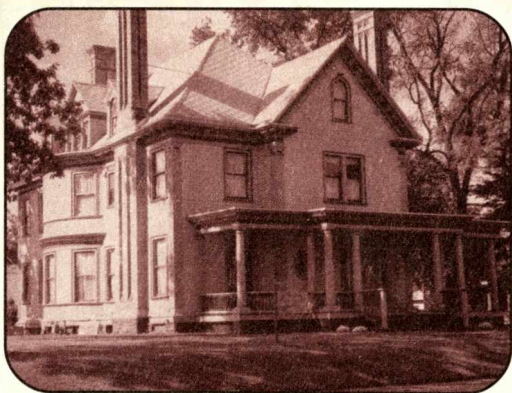




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place to finish the day in the Spring, Summer or Fall. Each room has a phone, cable television, and a private sitting area with table and chairs. Each of the rooms are elegantly decorated and offer a wonderful environment for any occasion or event.

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has a large parlor that was originally used for ballroom dancing and has a uniquely designed hardwood floor that has been preserved in its original design. At the east end of the parlor is a beautiful and original stained glass door and at the west end is a lovely handcarved wooden fireplace. The parlor has many comfortable chairs and sofas that provide a wonderful and quiet place to read or chat with a friend.

Also on the first floor, is a large foyer with fireplace, a large dining room with a beautiful ornate cherry wood encasement that was originally used to house a pipe organ, a butler's kitchen, and a completely modern kitchen. The din-

ing room, foyer, and parlor all have beautiful chandeliers, with two of them being original to the house.

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back by water and steam Sunday morning
(Historic Houses) - W.K.
to the city of Indianapolis, which was off
the track.

Lawson Albertson has completed his fourth year as baggage master at the Union Station in Indianapolis, and Superintendent John Menday assigned him to an easier task—that of keeping things orderly in the baggage rooms.

J. W. Parks, of the Vandana Association, has written the president of the board of control that he thinks the proper thing to do in regard to the protests filed is to call a meeting of the board at once and have the matter settled.

General Manager Schaff, of the Big Four lines, has asked the New York Central to loan one of its wide fire box Atlantic type passenger engines to the Big Four to test its working in comparison with the Big Four's new passenger engines.

The Pennsylvania is preparing to carry 10,000 people from Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania to Washington to witness the inauguration ceremonies. The Baltimore & Ohio and the Chesapeake & Ohio are arranging to handle a large business.

General Passenger Agent L. W. Wakely has issued a second edition of the Burlington special folder of the Northwest. Besides a good description of the territory, it gives brief historical sketches of the Louisiana purchase and the Lewis and Clarke expedition.

In the year 1900 there were 2,646 railway accidents on the roads of the United States, against 2,431 in 1899. In these accidents 112 passengers were killed, one less than in 1899; 452 employees were killed, against 402 in 1899, and seventy-five trespassers. During the year 2,123 persons were injured.

CYCLING CLUB MINSTREL

Meeting Called Tonight to Take Final Action Regarding Entertainment

A meeting will be held tonight in the rooms of the Wabash Cycling club to ascertain the attitude of the members towards giving a minstrel show later in the season.

The same time the matter has been worked up, and finally a canvass was made to decide the matter. The members

In December 1886, he entered the banking institution of McKean & Co., where he held a responsible position for nine years, resigning in December, 1895, to associate himself with Mr. James Hunter in the men's furnishing business, under the well known firm name of Hunter & Paddock, and became well and widely known as one of the most prominent and popular business men of the city, and in which business he remained identified until recently.

A MODERN RESIDENCE

Will Be Built for John S. Cox on South Seventh Street

Jul 20, 1901

One of the handsomest residences in this city will be built in the spring, at Seventh and Farrington streets, for John S. Cox, general manager of the Terre Haute branch of the American Car and Foundry Company. The most pleasing features of colonial architecture have been embodied in the plans drawn by Robert Walsh of Morristown, N. J., and the contract has been let to John A. Schumacher of Indianapolis.

Mr. Cox's new home will contain ten rooms, and is to be built of frame with stone and pressed brick foundations. It will contain all the modern improvements, including hard wood floors, and is to cost nearly \$10,000. Contracts for slate, tin and plumbing work have been sub-let to Terre Haute firms, and Terre Haute labor will be employed by Contractor Schumacher.

THE Y. M. C. A. LECTURES

F. Hopkinson Smith Appears at the Grand Opera House Thursday

F. Hopkinson Smith appears as one of the regular numbers of the Young Men's Christian Association entertainment at The Grand, Thursday, in read-

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"RULE—Hereafter, commencing the March, 1901, term of (prior) court, divorce cases shall be tried on a definite day, at after serving of the process, defendant and the defendant, plaintiff or cross complaint, jurisdiction of the court, poenaed and required to appear at the trial and the case until such attendance can be had.

"That in case of a failure to make actual bona fide defense to the complaint or cross complaint, the court will call the prosecutor to make such defense, and to do so the court will appoint a member of the bar to defend the curiae, and fees allowed, as cost and all costs must be paid, either party is entitled to, and enforcement.

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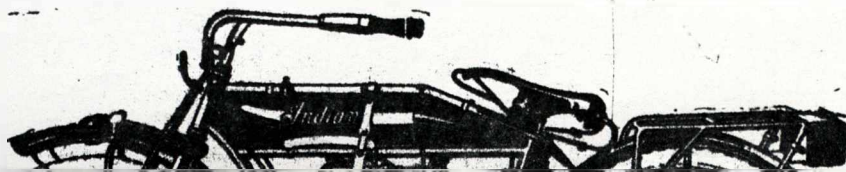
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Miss Delphine Bindley entertained eight at luncheon Wednesday at her home in compliment to Mrs. Malby Falley of Kankakee.

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COX-HULMAN

The Farrington Bed & Breakfast offers Victorian Elegance as well as charm and grace for its guests. The facility provides 5 guest bedrooms with 4 full baths. Four of the bedrooms have beautiful, uniquely designed fireplaces that have maintained their original design. These fireplaces offer a romantic warmth to their rooms. The 5th guest room has a comfortable private, 2nd floor covered porch which is a relaxing place to finish one's day through the spring, summer, and fall. Each guest room has a phone, cable TV, and private sitting areas with tables. Each of the rooms are elegantly decorated and offer a wonderful environment for any occasion or event. There is also a second and first floor covered porch for all the guests to use.

The first floor has a large parlor that was originally used for ballroom dancing, a large foyer with fireplace, a large dinning room with a beautifully ornate cherry wood encasement that was used to house a pipe organ, a butlers kitchen, a complete modern kitchen and a large rap-around covered porch with large pillars. The original wood in the house has been almost totally preserved and has maintained much of its original beauty. The east end of the parlor houses a beautiful, original stained glass door and the west end has a beautiful hand carved wooden fireplace. The parlor also has a uniquely designed hardwood floor that has been preserved in its original design. The dining room, foyer, and parlor all have beautiful chandeliers. Two of them are originals. There is also off street parking for overnight guests.

1978-1979 Collection

The Farrington is located in the historical district of Terre Haute and was built from 1898 to 1901. The facility brings with it a sense of nostalgia and old world comfort that is difficult to find in modern day lodging facilities. The Farrington has been restored to offer as much for the business person as it does for individuals who are looking for a romantic get-a-way or just a special time of rest and relaxation. It is also nicely equipped for weddings, retreats, family gatherings, business meetings, and private group luncheons and dinners.

- * Guest Room Rates range for \$75 to \$85 per night plus tax and include a complete breakfast plus evening drinks and snacks for its guests.
- * A discount is available for individuals staying a week or more.
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- * Dinners are \$12 to \$15 (plus tax) depending on the menu.
- * Weddings, Receptions, and other Large Group function fees vary with size and time commitments.

Cox-Hulman

Cox-Hulman House, 931 S. Seventh Street

Owner: Mike and Connie Mutterspaugh

This two-and-one-half story frame structure was built in 1901 by John S. Cox, and was called "one of the handsomest residences in the city". At the time of its construction, Cox was the general manager of the Terre Haute branch of the American Car and Foundry Company. He hired architect Robert Walsh of Morristown, New Jersey, to design his new home in the Free Classic style. This architectural style was all the rage at the turn of the century, incorporating the best elements from both Queen Anne and Colonial Revival styles of architecture. These include the front portico, which features Doric columns and a spindled balustrade, the main entrance flanked by oval windows, and the stained glass panels in the doors off the front porch.

It should be noted that Cox spared no expense in building his home; it cost around \$10,000 upon completion, a large sum at the time. Although the contractor was from Indianapolis, he sub-let the tin, slate and plumbing work to Terre Haute firms and only local labor was used. The house's verticality is enhanced by a steeply pitched roof complete with dormers and tall chimneys with decorative brickwork. Another prominent feature is the two-story rounded bay on the house's south side, which rises to meet a prominent cornice.

Once inside, a large entry hall is dominated by a dramatic staircase and fireplace. Hardwood floors, large windows and tall ceilings give the home a great deal of charm. Perhaps the greatest find is the organ cabinet installed by Cox in the beautiful dining room. Beyond the dining room are the butler's pantry and kitchen, and in the back hall, the house's elevator! The upper floors are equally interesting. Of particular note is the old nursery at the top of the stairs to the left. The nursery rhymes on the fireplace tiles should not be missed.

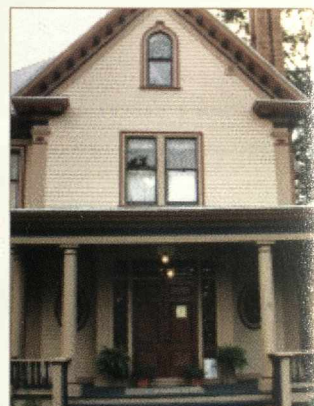
Cox, who remained in the house for many years, was in the forefront locally in the automotive industry. One of the first Terre Hauteans to own a car, he started a longtime family business in automotive supplies and repair. One of the subsequent owners of the house was Mrs. Anton Hulman Sr., ^{mother} ~~wife~~ of the man who began the tradition of the Indianapolis 500.

As the neighborhood developed a larger student base, the house's occupancy moved in the same direction. Phi Delta Theta Fraternity utilized the house for years, selling it to a private owner in 1993. After passing through another pair of private owners, the Mutterspaughs purchased the house and have restored it for use as Farrington Bed & Breakfast. What a perfect getaway! REFRESHMENTS SERVED

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Vigo County Historical Museum

The Vigo County Historical Museum is located in a finely preserved Italianate home which was built in 1868 by William Sage. The collection, displayed on three floors, focuses on the history of Vigo County. As Terre Haute is the birthplace of the Coca-Cola bottle, the Museum houses an extensive exhibit of related artifacts and memorabilia. Other displays of special interest are a turn-of-the-century pharmacy, a military room, a country store, rooms furnished in the Victorian period, an old-fashioned school-room, and local legends, as well as changing exhibits. Visit the Museum to turn back the clock to yesteryear.

931 S. 7TH STREET

The Farrington Bed & Breakfast

The Farrington B & B at 931 S. 7th Street offers Victorian elegance as well as grace and charm for its guests. Built between 1898 and 1900, it was listed as the Cox-Hulman house in the National Historic Registry. It brings a sense of nostalgic old world comfort that is hard to find in modern day lodging facilities.

As you enter, you will enjoy the beautiful foyer with its fireplace, graced with a winding staircase, arched wood entrance, pocket doors leading to a large parlour with parquet wood floors, stained glass door, and ornate carved fireplace. This room, formerly used for gatherings, ball-room dancing etc., is now used for weddings, receptions, luncheons, dinners, meetings, showers, and group gatherings. A large dining room with a beautiful ornate cherry encasement, originally used to house pipes to an organ, is also where overnight guests are served breakfast.

The second floor consists of five romantically decorated guest bedrooms with private baths, gas fireplaces, televisions, phones, etc. The second-floor porches were formerly sleeping porches. Attention to detail makes the Farrington Bed and Breakfast a wonderful place to visit.

1225 S. 7TH STREET

Owners: Randall Aker & Michael Atkinson.

Robert Thompson began construction of this mission-style Victorian home in 1894 and completed construction in 1895. The lot was originally purchased for \$1,100 and the home was built for \$3,000. A garage carriage house was added in 1900 but was replaced by a modern two-car garage in 1996. The home was purchased by Ellen Hutchins in 1919, and her daughter Jane Hutchins Nattkemper occupied the home from her childhood in 1919 until her husband's death in 1957. Jane Hutchins Nattkemper was the society editor for the Tribune Star. Ellen Hutchins, Jane's mother, lived there with her daughter and her husband, Louis Nattkemper, a local attorney, until her death in 1957. The house is still referred to as "the old Nattkemper home."

After Jane sold the house in 1989, it was bought and sold three times and finally abandoned and left empty until Randy and Michael spotted it on a weekend morning during the fall of 2001. Although it was overgrown and quickly deteriorating, Randy and Michael saw the home's potential and worked to save the "poor old lady" from her looming destruction.

805 S. 6TH STREET

Owner: Susan Rose

The home at 805 S. 6th Street is a two-story Italianate, owned by Susan Rose since 1990. Many prominent Terre Haute residents have lived at this location. References to a home on this corner go back as far as 1858, when a family named Whipple owned the property. In the 1860s, Thomas B. Johns, called the "Walnut King of the Wabash Valley" lived there and may have added some of the crown molding seen in the front of the house and in the upstairs library. From 1892 to 1906, the house was occupied by Albert S. Foster, owner of Foster Dry Goods, which eventually became the Root Store.

During World War II, the house was used as a rooming house for gentlemen. In more recent times, it was owned by Fares and Mary Strupp. Strupp was a dentist and prominent civic leader. The family lived there from 1947 to 1969, when it was sold to Jan and John McCarthy, both professors at Indiana State University.

Susan has totally refinished the house, from a brand new kitchen in the early 1990s, to her latest project of the front staircase. The house has three fireplaces, 12-foot ceilings in the front section and three baths. As most old houses do, it remains a work in progress.

CENTER STREET

Owners: Denis and Catherine Conrady

This Italianate shotgun house was built in 1874 for William H. Conrady, a professor at Indiana Normal School, and was purchased by Denis and Catherine Conrady in 1988. The Conradys have spent the last 15 years renovating the interior and exterior of the house. Catherine designed the exterior trim, using as reference many books on historic "poor ladies" from all over the country.

In 1990, they removed the large radiators and installed central heat and air; reopened the transoms and designed leaded glass inserts; installed three stained glass windows which were originally purchased in Brazil, Indiana, in 1988; enclosed the back porch; gutted and modernized the kitchen and upstairs bath and downstairs half bath. Denis painted the entire house. The chandeliers are of particular note; the living room chandelier is from the old St. John's Church, and the reproduction dining room chandelier represents a combination gas and electric fixture.

The house holds many antiques collected on the Conradys' travels between Indiana and Texas, where they lived until May of this year. Catherine, as a retired interior decorator, believes that "little" can be as good as "big" and "old" can be as good as "new."

1510 S. CENTER STREET

Owners: Bill and Kathy Norris

Bill and Kathy Norris purchased their home at 1510 South Center Street in 1991. While the exact date of construction is unknown, the house was built about 1905. The Norrises purchased the house from the estate of Mildred Self. It is unclear whether Mildred Self ever lived at 1510 South Center or if it was a rental property.

In 1991 the house was in extremely poor condition. Its redeeming quality was that no structural changes had been made; it was "original." Bill and Kathy went to work stripping all the woodwork and removing all the wallpaper off the walls and ceilings. All new plumbing and electrical wiring was installed. The kitchen and bath were completely replaced. Additional living space was added by finishing the attic. Through all the repair and updates the Norrises beautifully restored the character and charm of the house.

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